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DIRECTOR: WHITE HOUSE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT: CAMBODIA -- THE MILITARY SITUATION

Advancing government troops yesterday discovered two abandoned

Khmer Communist artillery positions and over 400 expended 105-mm.

howitzer casings near Route 201 some seven miles southwest of Phnom

Penh. The government threat to their western flank has apparently

also caused insurgent units at the center of the southern defense

line to withdraw to the south bank of the Prek Thnaot River. Else
where in the capital region, logistics problems have apparently caused

Communist units along Route 1 southeast of the city to postpone attact

scheduled for February 25. Most of a Mekong River convoy carrying

ammunition and rice arrived in Phnom Penh late yesterday after an

uneventful trip upriver. Three ammo barges are still on the river.

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